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Shigeki Inatomi et al.

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For: **PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF PHENOLIC
NOVOLAK**

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir/Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated May 11, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.